

**1201.603-1 General.**

Each DOT operating administration is responsible for appointing its contracting officers.

**PART 1202—DEFINITIONS OF WORDS AND TERMS**

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**Subpart 1202.1—Definitions**

**1202.1 Definitions.**

(a) *Agency, Federal agency, or Executive agency* means the Department of Transportation.

(b) *Chief of the contracting office (COCO)* means the individual(s) responsible for managing the contracting office(s) within an operating administration.

(c) *Contracting activity* includes all the contracting offices within an operating administration and is the same as the term “procuring activity.”

(d) *Contracting officer* means an individual authorized by virtue of his/her position or by appointment to perform the functions assigned by the Federal Acquisition Regulation and the Transportation Acquisition Regulation.

(e) *Department of Transportation (DOT)* means all of the operating administrations included within the Department of Transportation.

(f) *Head of the agency or agency head* means the Deputy Secretary except for acquisition actions that, by the terms of a statute or delegation, must be done specifically by the Secretary of Transportation.

(g) *Head of the contracting activity (HCA)* means the individual responsible for managing the contracting offices within an operating administration who is a member of the Senior Executive Service or a flag officer and is the same as the term “head of the procuring activity.”

(h) *Head of the operating administration (HOA)* means the individual appointed by the President to manage the operating administration. (For acquisition related matters, the Assistant Secretary for Administration is the HOA for the Office of the Secretary (OST)).

(i) *Operating administration (OA)* means the following components of DOT:

(1) Federal Aviation Administration (FAA);

(2) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA);

(3) Federal Railroad Administration (FRA);

(4) Federal Transit Administration (FTA);

(5) Maritime Administration (MARAD);

(6) National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA);

(7) Transportation Administrative Service Center;

(8) Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA);

(9) Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC); and

(10) United States Coast Guard (USCG).

(j) *Senior Procurement Executive (SPE)* means the Director of the Office of Acquisition and Grant Management (M-60).

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